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SUMMARY

Local Communist Party Committees are cautioned against continued meddling in the administrative affairs of the local Soviets and other non-Party organizations. Such interference, it is said, invariably results in diminishing attention to, and a weakening of, internal Party work. The excessive turnover of Party personnel, according to some regional transmitters, is also a contributing factor. Another, is the "race" (pogonya) for a good numerical showing in the admission of new members to the Party, as is the case in Belorussia. This makes proper investigation difficult, and a number of "unworthy" persons may thus worm their way to positions of leadership. Disciplinary action against Party members as well as minor purges are reported from Kirovograd and Tbilisi oblasts.

In agriculture, the inadequate efforts displayed in the production and storing of fodder are discussed in highly dispiriting terms by a number of regional transmitters. The additional pay authorized for farmers and tractor drivers engaged in fodder procurement is to be made only "when necessary". Collective farm accountants and bookkeepers are urged, in this connection, to forestall possible financial abuse by avoiding "improper entries." The evils of nepotism, "family-circle atmosphere" and "disposition to private property" are said to be responsible for many a violation of the agricultural artel statute.

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